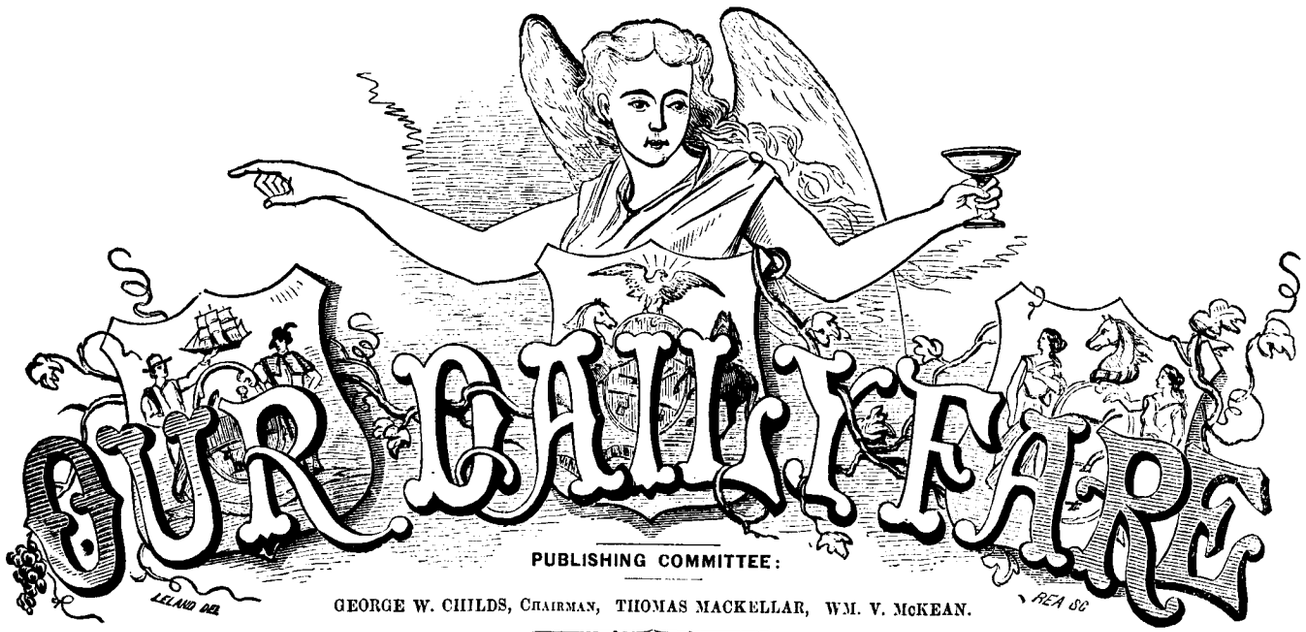

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THE FAIR BUILDINGS

WERE erected on the walks of Logan Square, which lies between Eighteenth and Nineteenth Streets and Race and Vine Streets, in the city of Philadelphia. They required for their construction more than a million and a half feet of lumber, and covered a superficial area of more than two hundred thousand square feet. They have been technically described as follows:

"Union Avenue was the main structure of the group, which formed the Fair buildings; was five hundred and forty feet long and sixty-four feet wide, with an elevation from the floor to the point of the arch of fifty-one feet. The Gothic arch of this building was formed with rafters, constructed with the Howe Truss, each rafter being two feet in depth and six inches wide, with panels two feet wide, in each of which were two main braces and one counter brace two inches square; the chords were of three by six inch scantling. The rafters were placed at distances of about nineteen feet apart, and footed upon heavy timbers set upon the ground, properly notched to receive the chords. The chord of the arch was about sixty feet, with versed line of six feet six inches. In the centre of Union Avenue rose a mammoth flag-staff two hundred and sixteen feet high, the gift of the ship carpenters, valued at $1,800. There were four lateral buildings, extending north and south, from Union Avenue, having a width of twenty-six feet, a height of eighteen feet, and a length of two hundred and fifty feet each way. Upon the north and south, and parallel with Union Avenue, along Race and Vine Streets, were buildings twenty-nine feet wide and eighteen feet high, each five hundred feet long; that on the north, the Art Gallery, being lighted from the roof. From the middle of Union Avenue extended a gallery northward, connecting with the Floral Department, (which as we have already stated, was a circular building,) one hundred and ninety feet in diameter, one hundred feet of which was covered by a canvas canopy. In the middle of this Department was a lake, with fountains of great variety of jet, arranged around and in it, in the centre of which was an island upon which were tastefully arranged an imposing group of tropical plants and fruit.

Upon the south of Union Avenue, on the line of the Floral Department, was the Restaurant, also circular, with a diameter of one hundred and ninety feet. Connected with this were a number of buildings, arranged for culinary purposes, such as main kitchen, pastry, maizena kitchen, ice house, ware closets, sculleries and servants' dining room.

The Pennsylvania Kitchen and the William Penn Parlor on the north and south of Union Avenue, were relatively eighty-four by thirty-four, and sixty by thirty-four feet."

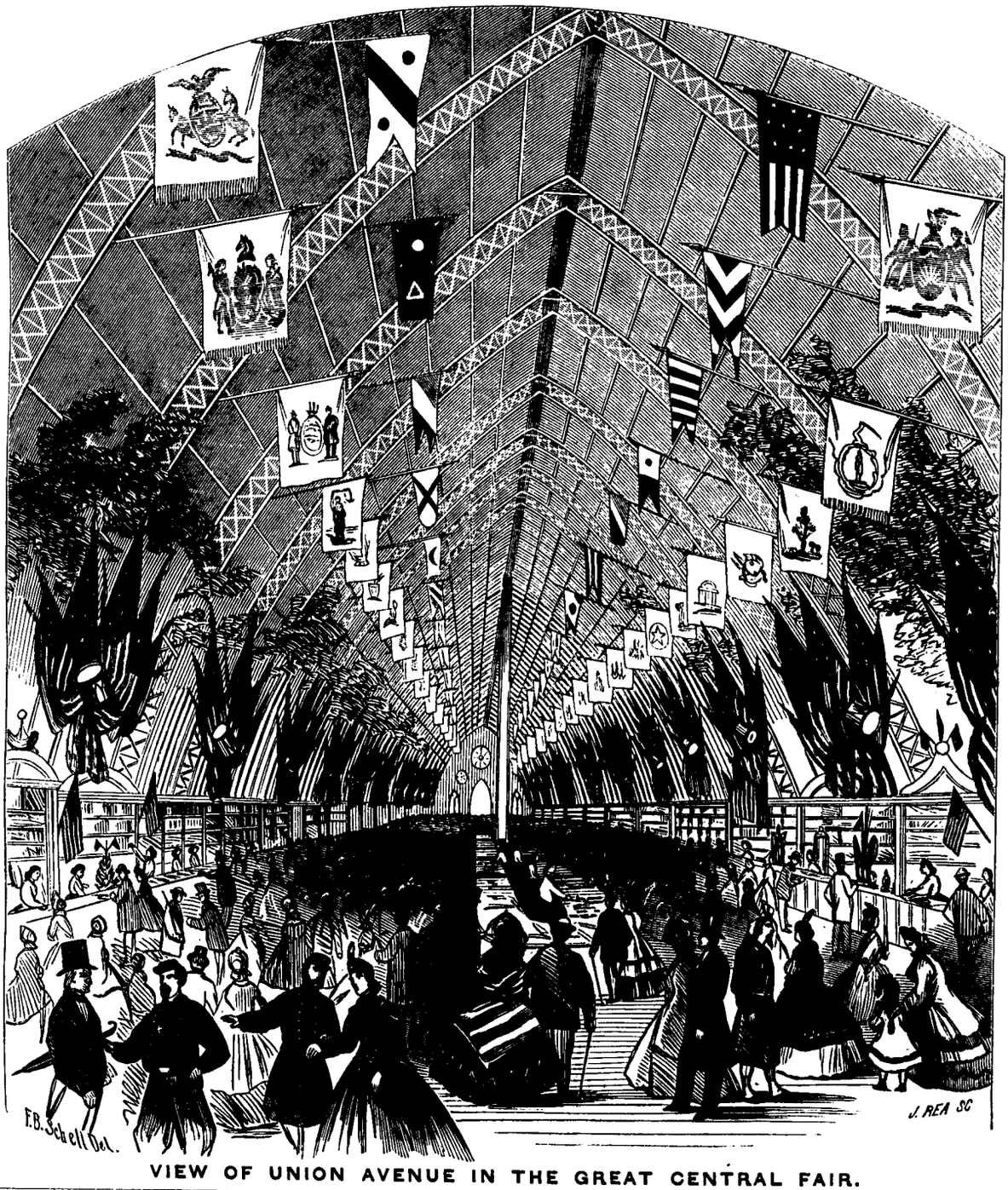
The whole buildings were completed in forty working days, and were opened to the public on the 7th day of June, 1864.

On Tuesday, the 28th day of June, the Fair was finally closed by appropriate ceremonies, and immediately afterwards the buildings were taken down and the Square restored to its former condition. Nothing now remains but the great flag staff to mark the spot.

PRECAUTIONS AGAINST FIRE.

The combustible nature of the buildings and decorations gave rise to much solicitude and extreme vigilance for the prevention of danger from fire, and providing for the rapid escape of the crowds of visitors, and the prompt extinguishment of fire if it should occur. The means used for the first of these objects were the exclusion of all portable lights, except alcohol torches for lighting the gas, and of matches, the careful removal of the combustible rubbish daily accumulated, the prohibition of smoking upon the premises, except in the Divan, especially prepared for the purpose, and the frequent wetting of spots most exposed to incendiarism.

The second object was attained by providing doors of egress every where at intervals not greater than twenty feet apart, and generally only sixteen feet, by which the whole multitude could escape into the open air in a few minutes, and the possibility of a jam with its consequent panic entirely avoided. The measures for the prompt arrest of conflagration were numerous. Hooks fixed on long poles for tearing down drapery were provided in large numbers. Two hundred axes were disposed at different points to cut away inflamed wood work. Five hundred camp kettles filled with water were placed at convenient points for immediate use. Eight water plugs were



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ample—though it is to be hoped that it will hereafter afford many—of so great a work of usefulness extemporized by the spontaneous self-devotion and organizing genius of a people, altogether independently of the Government.

But while the present struggle has called into brilliant exercise all the high qualities which the institutions of the American Republic have made general among her citizens, it has also laid open—as it is the nature of trying times to do—all the weak points in her national habits, and in the working of her institutions. These are doubtless far better known to thoughtful Americans than they are likely to be to any foreigner, and this great historical crisis will be doubly blessed if it directs attention to them. In all states of society the most serious danger is that the national mind should go to sleep on the self-satisfied notion that all is right with it; but the great awakening of the public conscience which is taking place on the one political and social abomination which has done more than all other causes together to demoralize American politics, has probably removed all danger of this sort for one generation at least; and warrants the hope that the American people will not rest satisfied with the great advantages which no other people and no other Government possess in so high a degree; but will resolve that their democracy shall not be behind any nation whatever in those elements of good government which have been thought to find a more congenial soil in other States of society and under other political institutions.

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We are happy to acknowledge the receipt of $124.00 sent to the Daily Fare, by Mr. J. B Wetherill, of Memphis, Tennessee. Mr. Wetherill, formerly a resident of this city, retains an interest in the concerns of Philadelphia. He has been very active in aiding our fair; besides obtaining a respectable list of subscribers from Memphis, he exerted himself to obtain a benefit from the Memphis theatre. The Manager kindly lent the building. Maj.-Gen. Washburne and his Staff were present and aided the success of the enterprise.

THE CLOSING CEREMONIES.

The Fair was kept open for three weeks, a longer period than had been originally contemplated, and during that whole period, the enthusiasm remained unabated. The attractive goods on the tables were soon disposed of; but while any were left, purchasers were found; and the zeal and devotion of the ladies of the different Committees were unflagging to the last. And here, perhaps, we should speak of one characteristic of the Fair—the perfect refinement and good breeding so conspicuous in its whole management. That young ladies of the highest social position should have sustained the part of amateur sales-women, without, in any instance, being subjected to the slightest rudeness from any one in that motley throng,—that they should have moved about at all times in full toilette amidst the vast multitude, with the same ease, security and freedom, as they would have done had they been in their own homes, was certainly not the least suggestive of all the suggestive things in which the Fair abounded.

Although vast crowds still thronged the buildings, and the interest in the Fair remained unabated, yet the Executive Committee, feeling that there must be an "end to all things under the sun," and thinking that they had no right to overtask the energies of those who had worked so long and so faithfully, determined to close the exhibition at the expiration of the third week of its existence. During the last two days admission was gained at a reduced rate, but strange to say, the number of visitors was not so great as when the price of tickets was much higher. It was decided to close the Fair finally on the evening of Tuesday, the 28th of June. The crowd on that evening seemed greater and more enthusiastic than on any previous occasion. Union Avenue was thronged with a dense mass of people, all eager to testify their admiration of the exhibition, their thankfulness for its wonderful success, and their regret that the hour had come when its exquisite beauty should no longer gladden the eye or warm the heart of all those who loved the soldier.

At nine o'clock, the Executive Committee, preceded by a band of music, formed in line of procession at their room, and marched to the platform to the soul-inspiring strains of "Hail Columbia."

The Right. Rev. Bishop Potter, in company with Mr. John Welsh, the Chairman of the Executive Committee, ascended the platform, or gallery, followed by the remaining members of the committee.

Bishop Potter offered a solemn and appropriate prayer of thanksgiving. The Doxology was then sung, Mr. M. J. Mitcheson officiating as leader.

Mr. John Welsh delivered a short address, in which he said that the whole enterprise had been conducted in a highly satisfactory manner, all the men, women and children uniting in heart and soul to make the Fair a success.

The band now stationed on the floor, played the "Star-Spangled Banner." Mr. Mitcheson said: "Fellow citizens, I think we can all join in singing the Star-Spangled Banner." It may be needless to say that the national song was sung with a full chorus. This being ended, a voice came from the densely packed multitude, "Give us Yankee Doodle." This was responded to by the band, and the people became wild with delight. They cheered, clapped their hands, waved their handkerchiefs, and evinced various demonstrations of joy.

Mr. William D. Lewis proposed three cheers for the worthy chairman of the Executive Committee, John Welsh. This was responded to in the most lively manner. The Committee then retired. After the passage of some appropriate resolutions by a meeting of citizens, that was subsequently organized, the vast crowd scattered, and took their unwilling departure from the buildings where they had enjoyed so much genuine pleasure, the pleasure of doing good while gratifying refined taste. And so concluded the GREAT CENTRAL SANITARY FAIR. We trust that its grand substantial results may carry blessings into many a field and hospital, and that it may be very long ere its influence in a social way, and in the promotion of a more enlarged patriotism and a more comprehensive philanthropy, may cease to be felt.

OUR PRIZE MEDAL.

The Medal which we proposed to give to such of the patrons of "Our Daily Fare" as procured not less than one hundred subscribers each, is in preparation, and will be duly forwarded to them.

located on the premises, with hose attached, that could throw water over or into the midst of any of the buildings.

A force of thirty-five firemen were on duty, by relays, night and day, under an arrangement made by a committee with the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, by whom three steam fire engines were kept in readiness outside the premises, with water attached and steam up.

Telegraphic fire alarms were disposed at eight points within the buildings by which instant communication could be made with the city police and fire telegraph offices. To insure the prompt readiness of these appliances, they were under the care of the Chief of the Fire Detective Police, aided, if required, by seventy-five municipal policemen on duty within the buildings, and the whole were under the orders of a Supervisory Committee of twelve gentlemen, selected from the Executive Committee of the Fair.

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CONNECTICUT.

Mrs. Simeon Collins,	West Haven.	10 00
Miss E. L. Linsley,	Stratford.	10 00

NEW YORK.

M. Kimber,	Elmira,	10 00
Geo. J. Pampelly,	Owego,	5 00
E. J. Hanks,	Yonkers,	5 00
St. John's College,	Fordham,	5 00
J. T. Headley,	Newburg,	15 00
Mrs. C. W. Field,	N. Y. City,	34 00
Hurd & Houghton,	"	5 00
Jos. T. Lea,	"	5 00

KENTUCKY.

S. W. Wing,	Owensburg,	5 00
C. S. Todd,	"	5 00
W. B. McCormack,	Elkton,	13 00

OHIO.

Nathan Denny,	Circleville,	5 00
Mrs. J. W. Andrews,	Marietta,	5 00

ARTICLES VOTED FOR.

There were a number of single objects of interest, presented to the Fair, which were disposed of by suffrage. Any one desirous to vote, by paying a certain sum, was allowed to enter upon a book, the name of the person to whom he wished the article in question presented. Whoever received the greatest number of suffrages, was entitled to the article.

SILVER FIRE HORN.

A very exciting struggle took place for a handsome silver horn, which had been given to the Fair by the America Hose Company, No. 17. The candidates here were not brave or successful Generals, but Fire Engine Companies, and their popularity or usefulness was to be attested by the number of votes each received. This contest excited a very general interest among the members of the Fire Department. The amount realized was $6,962.50.

The following is the vote:

Good Will Engine,	12,732	Perseverance Hose,	5
Fairmount Engine,	9,941	Cohocksink Hose,	2
Phœnix Hose,	1,688	Mechanic Engine,	2
Pennsylvania Hose,	1,414	Shiffler Hose,	2
Philadelphia Engine,	945	Independence Hose,	7
Diligent Engine,	219	Columbia Engine,	6
United States Engine,	159	Western Engine,	3
Southwark Hose,	105	Fame Hose,	5
South Penn Hose,	101	Reliance Engine,	5
Empire Hook & Lad...	75	Union Engine	1
Vigilant Engine,	69	William Penn Hose,	2
Weccacoe Engine,	25	United Hose,	5
United States Hose,	37	Mount Airy Engine,	1
Good Intent Hose,	22	Hope Engine,	5
North'n Liberty Hose,	26	Delaware Engine,	3
Washington Hose,	31	Ringgold Hose,	1
Philadelphia Hose,	15	Hope Hose,	4
Columbia Hose,	12	Assistance Engine,	6
Marion Hose,	11	Kensington Hose,	1
Neptune Hose,	14	West Philada. Engine	1
Moyamensing Hose,	11	Fairmount Hose,	3
Washington Engine,	28	Spring Garden Hose,	4
Western Hose,	17	Mantua Hook & Lad.	2
Humane Hose,	11	Diligent Hose,	1
Hibernia Engine,	2	Northern Liberty En.	1
Globe Engine,	7	Spring Garden En.,	1
Franklin Hose,	5	Schuylkill Hose,	20
Good Intent Engine,	5	Niagara Hose,	2
Robert Morris Hose,	8	Monroe Hose,	2
Franklin Engine,	6		
Humane Engine,	2	Total,	27,846

UNION VASE.

This was a magnificent military vase of solid silver, three feet four inches in height, and worth $5,000. It stood in a glass case, a short distance from the main flag staff, on Union Avenue. It is a tripod military vase, resting on a *Verd antique* base, made of marble obtained in the State of Vermont. On the base are three concave panels, representing the Arms of the United States, the Arms of Pennsylvania, and in *basso relievo* the American Eagle, strangling a serpent. Under the canopy, in the centre of the base, is the figure of Liberty. The pillars which support the canopy are three in number, and are based upon three military groupings, representing the arms and trophies of the ancient, middle and present ages of the world. These pillars are surmounted by three winged figures, representing the Goddesses of Fame, History and Peace. On this beautifully embellished tripod rests the vase, which is elaborately enriched by running vines and clusters of grapes. This was the munificent donation of Messrs. Bailey & Co.

Nominations of candidates were made on the payment of twenty dollars, and for each vote a dollar was paid. The motto was, "Vote early and often," and the result was the very large sum of $10,457 to the Fair treasury. Messrs. Bailey & Co. thus hold the proud position of the largest money contributors to the Fair.

The contest was narrowed down very much in the end to two candidates, Edward G. James, Esq., President of the Corn Exchange, and the Union League, although twenty-two candidates had been nominated and voted for.

Mr. Edwin G. James was the successful candidate by the following vote:

CANDIDATES.	NOMINATED BY	VOTES.
Edwin G. James,	Charles Knecht,	4,948
Union League,	J. Gillingham Fell,	4,003
A. Lincoln,	A. E. Borie,	259
John Welsh,	Chas. Macalester,	161
A. G. Curtin,	John Tucker,	113
H. W. Bellows,	E. W. Clark,	77
Admiral Farragut,	Jos. Wm. Miller,	58
Alex. Henry,	Adolph Hugel,	54
John Bright,	Jas. M. Flanagan,	37
Gen'l Meade,	C. H. Clarke,	36
Bishop Simpson,	John Welsh,	54
Geo. H. Stuart,	Madame Clement's Pupils,	34
Gen'l Hancock,	Jos. Harrison,	33
Bishop Wood,	John Welsh,	30
Gen'l G. B. McClellan,	Theodore Cuyler,	16
Gen'l U. S. Grant,	Jas. H. Orne,	15
Bishop Potter,	John Welsh,	11
S. P. Chase,	Wm. G. Moorehead,	14
E. M. Stanton,	Geo. P. Smith,	9
Gen'l Sherman,	Wm. H. Carryl,	6
Admiral Dupont,	Jas. L. Claghorn,	4
Union Vol. Ref. Saloon,	Chas. K. Landis,	4
Votes at one dollar each,		9,976
22 nominations at $20 each,		440
Sale of Photographs,		41
Making a total amount of		$10,457

THE SWORD.

Messrs. Evans & Hassell had given to the Great Central Fair a magnificent sword, valued at $2,000. The blade was of Damascus steel, and the diamonds in the hilt were said to exceed in value those in the sword voted to Gen. Grant in New York. It was to be presented to the General receiving the highest number of votes. This very elegant gift, under the charge of the Committee on "Labor, Income and Revenue," was really a great curiosity for the richness and beauty of its ornamentation, and quite a spirited contest arose between the friends of several of the Generals to secure it for their favorite. Major General George G. Meade was the successful candidate by the following vote:

VOTE ON THE SWORD.

Meade,	3,442
Hancock,	1,506
McClellan,	297
Grant,	177
Scattering,	119
Total,	5,541

THE CAMP CHEST.

The Good Intent Hose Company, No. 2, had in the fire department a Camp Chest, containing a full set of glass and silverware for field service. The chest was made of mahogany and finely bound with brass. The interior was well packed with articles of glass and silver, consisting of a complete set for breakfast and dinner, tea or lunch, and cooking utensils to suit. Besides this were razors, brushes, looking glass, cigar cases, books, and various other articles of handsome workmanship, such as plates, soup dishes, knives and forks.

Three hundred dollars was fixed as the value of the chest and its contents. It was presented to the Sanitary Fair to be given to the General receiving the highest number of votes.

Major-General D. B. Birney became the fortunate possessor of this handsome addition to his camp equipage, by the following vote:

VOTE ON CAMP CHEST.

Birney,	308
Gibbon,	28
McClellan,	10
Meade,	103
Grant,	16
Hancock,	9
Scattering,	10
Total,	484

BANNER SCREEN.

At the West Philadelphia table was a beautiful piece of worsted work, on which was embroidered the Royal British Arms, intended to be presented to either John Bright or Richard Cobden, friends of the American cause in England, as might be designated by the majority of votes, each voter of course paying for the privilege of thus expressing his preference. This handsome screen was the gift and workmanship of Mrs. Ogden, wife of the American Consul at Montreal. John Bright, Esq., M. P., having received the majority of the votes, the screen was sent to him. The vote was 224 for Bright and 96 for Cobden. The following is his letter of acknowledgment:

ROCHDALE, September 19, 1864.

DEAR MADAM:—

Mr. Dudley has forwarded to me the beautiful "Banner Screen" which has been presented to me by yourself and others of my friends from the Central Fair, at Philadelphia. I write to thank you for it, and to say how much I value this expression of your good opinion of me. The screen itself is somewhat too brilliant for the moderate appointments of my drawing-room, but it is greatly admired by my wife and by all the members of my family.

I cannot thank all those who subscribed for it, but I appreciate their kind feeling toward me. I watch every step of your great conflict with intense interest, with as much interest, I think, as if I were a citizen of your country. I regard it as a struggle, the result of which will fix for ages, it may be, the character and fate of your continent, and which will influence all the interests of freedom throughout the world. On your coming Presidential election much will depend. I hope there is virtue enough in the North to support the Administration in its efforts to restore the Union and to purge the country from the curse and guilt of slavery.

I have had faith in your great cause from the beginning, and I will still hope and believe.

With warm thanks for your kind remembrance of me,

I am, with the highest respect,

Yours, truly,

JOHN BRIGHT.

Mrs. E. C. OGDEN, 1314 Arch St., Philada., U. S.

Our Daily Fare.

PHILADELPHIA, SEPTEMBER 11, 1865.

OUR SUPPLEMENTAL NUMBER.

Our readers will remember, that in the last issue of our paper, we promised at some future day to give them a supplementary number, which should contain a list of those who had been active in getting us subscribers, and such facts and statistics regarding the fair as could only be obtained after it had been closed. We did not then anticipate it would be necessary to delay the performance of our promise for so long a time, but the machinery set in operation by the Fair had been so vast, that to give the results of its operations with anything like accuracy has, only very lately, been possible.

It suggested itself to our minds that it would be a good idea to give the names of all who had been active in their exertions and liberal in their contributions to the Fair, and we had made some progress in that direction. We soon, however, found that in any space that we could command, it was quite out of the question.

We have, therefore, confined ourselves to stating the amounts received from the various Committees; the results of the voting for various objects of interest; the scene at the closing of the Fair, and such other items of information not heretofore touched upon in our columns as we suppose may be of interest.

THE GRAND FINANCIAL RESULT.

The Fair was conducted by committees having in charge departments covering every interest which it was thought probable would contribute in any way to the success of the undertaking. A list is subjoined which gives the name of the department, the chairmen, male and female, of the committees having them in charge, and the amount paid over by each respectively. The same list also presents a detailed and general view of the financial results of the Fair.

Receipts of the various committees of "Great Central Fair," to November 26, 1864.

COMMITTEE.	CHAIRMEN.	CHAIRMEN LADIES' COMMITTEE.	
Agriculture	A. L. Kennedy, M. D.		$11,564 71
Agricultural Implements	David Landreth		1,746 71
Arms and Trophies	Col. Crossman	Mrs. Gen. Meade	4,483 00
Benefits and Entertainments	George Trott	Mrs. A. H. Smith	9,076 89
Book Publishers and Booksellers	J. B. Lippincott	Mrs. R. M. Hooper	6,807 94
Boots, Shoes and Leather	Samuel Baugh	Miss Nixon	7,991 85
Brewers and Maltsters	Samuel Huston		7,800 25
Builders	Wm. Struthers		560 77
Cabinet Ware	Thos. Thompson	Mrs. S. B. Still	5,470 18
Canned Fruits	F. B. Reeves	Mrs. Theo. Cuyler	1,305 47
Carpets, Oil Cloths, &c.	Benj. Orne	Mrs. H. W. Ducachet	751 50
Carriages	W. D. Rogers		4,205 14
Chemicals	W. M. Uhler, M. D.		4,050 00
Children's Clothing	Mrs. J. C. Cresson		5,280 00
Children's Department	G. A. Schwarz	Mrs. W. H. Furness	14,908 65
Clothing and its Subdivisions	L. J. Leberman		7,360 07
Colleges, Libraries and Literary Ins.	T. Morris Perot		703 00
Confectionery and Fruits	S. F. Whitman	Mrs. E. J. Lewis	3,708 01
Dentistry, Artificial Teeth, &c.	S. S. White		1,785 33
Dress and Millinery	Miss A. Thomson		3,949 62
Drugs	Wm. Ellis		366 58
Dry Goods (retail)	H. G. Sharpless	Mrs. Joshua Tevis	4,141 08
Dry Goods (wholesale)	D. S. Brown		53,814 67
Eighteenth Ward	Mrs. Dr. Claridge		1,462 94
Fancy Articles (home-made)	Mrs. Ephraim Clark		5,000 00
Fancy Goods, Watches, Jewelry, &c.	J. E. Caldwell	Mrs. J. L. Claghorn	11,943 83
Finance and Donations	A. E. Borie		69,880 66
Fine Arts	Jos. Harrison, Jr.	Mrs. H. D. Gilpin	33,333 09
Firearms	B. H. Jenks		793 50
Fire Department	David M. Lyle		13,283 32
Florists and Horticulture	D. R. King	Mrs. J. R. Barton	26,737 47
Furs, Hats and Caps	E. Morris	Mrs. C. C. Roberts	6,226 30
Gas Fixtures	W. F. Miskey		740 58
Gents' Furnishing Goods	W. S. Martin	Mrs. S. C. Perkins	3,519 05
Glass, Glass Ware and Porcelain	W. M. Muzzey	Mrs. J. H. Towne	3,060 78
Groceries, (retail)	A. C. Roberts	Miss Haven	2,190 89
Groceries, (wholesale)	Edw. S. Clarke	Mrs. Cadwalader	5,797 62
Hardware	Joseph C. Grubb	Mrs. Wilstach	9,619 53
Harness and Saddlery	S. R. Phillips		904 82
Hollow-ware and Stoves	Wm. P. Cresson		2,788 08
Hospitals, work from Invalid Sold's.	E. Dyer, M. D.	Mrs. G. W. Harris	1,204 12
House Furnishing Goods	J. E. Widraven	Mrs. Randolph	6,102 00
Importations	Rene Guillou	Mrs. J. F. Frazer	9,217 82
India Rubber Goods	John Thornley		1,067 40
Iron, (wrought and cast)	Andrew Wheeler		32,138 28
Labor, Income and Revenue	L. M. Bond	Mrs. E. W. Hutter	247,500 00
Looking Glasses, Picture Frames, &c.	James M. Earle	Mrs. Samuel Field	2,466 37
Lumber and Lumber Merchants	John C. Davis		8,999 14
Indian Department	C. B. Barclay		2,669 87
Mechanic Arts and Machinery	S. V. Merrick		14,239 95
Medals and Badges	John Sartain		1,542 14
Military Goods	W. H. Horstman	Mrs. E. H. Trotter	3,382 06
Miscellaneous	C. D. Ritchie		1,576 46
Musical Entertainments, &c.	Mrs. Wm Biddle		5,581 12
Newspaper, "Daily Fare,"	C. G. Leland,	Mrs. R. H. Hooper	5,599 10
Orations and Lectures	J. W. White		9,517 13
Paper Hangings	J. C. Finn	Mrs. J. E. Thompson	617 52
Paper Manufactory and Stationery	B. H. Moore		5,538 92
Perfumery and Toilet Articles	H. P. Taylor	Mrs. E. W. Clark	6,525 17
Photographs	Frederick Graff	Mrs. John Bohlen	3,201 32
Plumbing, &c.	J. C. Hunter		3,176 80
Post Office	C. A. Walborn	Mrs. E. D. Gillespie	1,083 40
Produce, Provisions and Shipping	A. G. Cattell		28,374 13
Relics, Curiosities and Autographs.	Franklin Peale	Mrs. T. P. James	9,389 27
Restaurant Department	George T. Lewis	Miss McHenry	22 481 67
Schools, (Public and Private)	Edward Shippen	Mrs. P. M. Clapp	36,760 40
Sewing Machines	Mrs. Dr. Gross		3.560 40
Sewing Women	Mrs. Coleman Jacobs		930 06
Ships and Ship-Building	C. H. Cramp		6,838 00
Sugar Refiners	John D. Taylor		2,300 00
Tobacco and Cigars	D. C. McCammon		9,377 03
Tickets, (exclusive of Delaware)	L. L. Houpt		179,447 20
Trimmings, Laces, &c.	R. A. Maxwell	Mrs. J. W. Johnson	8,509 35
Umbrellas, Parasols and Canes	Wm. A. Drown		3,108 91
Wagons and heavy Vehicles	Henry Simons		176 50
William Penn Parlor	Eli K. Price		3,420 05
Wax, and other Artificial Flowers	Mrs. Dr. Darrach		627 30
West Philadelphia	Wm. H. C. Townsend		3,540 64
Wines and Liquors	George Cromelien		3,429 00
Woolen and Cotton Manufactures	G. M. Coates		7,500 00
The "Bailey Vase"	Wm. Struthers		10,460 00
State of Delaware			31,631 84
State of New Jersey			16,812 14
Cash from other sources			14,549 64
			$1,135,343 50
Interest to November 26, 1864			19,554 00
			$1,154,897 50

Disbursements on Account of the "Great Central Fair."

Paid on account of Buildings and internal and general arrangements	$85,409 74
Paid on account of various committees, by the treasurer,	44,829 75
Paid various miscellaneous accounts, including cash paid to persons injured by the accident at the Inaugural Ceremonies, loss of bunting by fire on board the steamer "John Potter," &c., &c.	13,682 43
	$143,921 92
Deposited in United States Mint	850,000 00
At loan on call	50,000 00
Advanced to U. S. Sanitary Commission	84,000 00
Interest to November 26, 1864	19,554 00
Cash in Treasurer's hands	7,421 58
	$1,154,897 50

Recapitulation.

Receipts	$1,135,343 50
Interest to November 26, 1864	19,554 00
	$1,154,897 50
Expenses	143,921 92
	$1,010,975 58

Paid to Treasurer, S. I. Strong, of the U. S. Sanitary Commission, Feb. 17, 1865:

Net proceeds to that date,		$1,035,398 96
Placed at the disposal of the Philadelphia Branch,		514,316 08
Retained by the Central Board,		$521,082 88
Remitted on the 11th inst. to Central Board, (out of the $514,316 08,) the further sum of		200,000 00
		$721,082 88

Total net receipts up to April 17, 1865,	$1,035,398 96
Receipts since,	10,387 56
	$1,043,786 52
Disbursements since April 17,	2,247 17
Total net receipts,	$1,043,539 35
Paid Central Board,	721,082 88
Leaving,	$322,456 47 to be exp'd by Phila. Branch.

Of this sum there is remaining unexpended, $81,000.00.

the Sanitary Commission to administer to their wants, and hence the more commendable and praiseworthy the generous aid afforded the Committee.

The Committee are indebted to the United States steamers Ironsides, Paul Jones, Nantucket, and other vessels, for valuable contributions in money and articles; to Lieut. Com. Luce, of the Nantucket, for the steering wheel of the steamer Weehawken; to the sailors at the naval asylum for contributions in money, mats, and a full rigged (model) ship, value, $25.00.

For most of the articles contributed the Committee are indebted to the Hospitals of this city. To Satterlee, for a beautiful model of the Hospital, (value $25;) an elaborately arranged arbor of artificial flowers, (value $50,) and a large collection of rings, chains, crosses, &c., &c.; to the Convalescent Hospital, for a large number of frames, ingeniously made, canes, rings, chains and baskets; to Christian Street Hospital, for a complete model hospital tent, which is to be presented to the Hospital receiving the largest number of votes; to Turner's Lane, for number of charms, and a valuable donation of perfumery; to South Street Hospital, for beautiful specimens of inlaid work, books and rings; to Mower & McClellan, for rings, chains, &c., &c. Contributions were also made by Hospitals in Nashville, Tenn., and Brattleboro, Vt. The Committee are also indebted to the ladies of the Committee for valuable donations; to Miss Bready and friends for a National Flag Affghan, sold for $100; to Misses Jones and Madeira for beautiful Flags, ($10 a pair;) to Miss Madeira, for the "Village School," a most perfect and complete representation in miniature, of those well known Institutions; to Mrs. Dyer and Miss Dunlap, for valuable books containing collections of leaves and flowers, obtained from historic places while abroad.

The Haversack, is the title of a book published by the Committee, written by the soldiers, containing "brief and graphic sketches of army life; accounts of hardships and privations of prison life; acts of personal daring and hair-breadth escapes; and reminiscences of the march and bivouac, of the conflict and hospital."

The contributions have been very liberal. From the officers and crew of U. S. schooner James S. Chambers, East Gulf Blockading Squadron, the Committee received $222.50.—A beautiful specimen of worsted work, representing the new Ironsides, was made by the sailors on board and sent to the Fair. It is valued at $25. Fifty lithographs of Fort Sumpter, after the bombardment, were presented by General Gillmore.

Close by the eastern end of the avenue is the table of the irrepressible 24TH WARD.—The contributions from this ward, which has done so nobly throughout the war, were so large as to justify the Committee in awarding a separate table or department for the display of goods. Before the ladies and gentlemen of the 24th commenced operations, an enthusiastic resident of the ward guaranteed a return of $1,000, and everybody went to work with a will to collect funds and goods. The usual contributors were again called upon for means, and with few rare exceptions, they promptly responded to this appeal to their local pride. The ladies were thus supplied with means to make purchases of materials. Space is wanting to enumerate all the attractions of this table. Conspicuous among them is the elegantly wrought English Banner Screen, worked by Mrs. Ogden, the wife of the American Consul at Quebec, and to be presented either to John Bright or Richard Cobden, as a testimonial of our recognition of their intelligent appreciation of the true position of our Government and its loyal defenders in the present wicked rebellion against its lawful authority, Another attractive object is an elegant Affghan, the work of the skillful hands of the fair treasurer of the Committee, which has been purchased for the sum of five hundred dollars, (one half to the Sanitary and the other half to the Christian Commission,) by a liberal contributor to these kindred associations, and which has, with great propriety, been presented to the gentlemanly and efficient chairman of the Executive Committee. A miniature theatre, complete in all its details of scenery, &c., for the correct representation of the drama or opera at home, and calculated to delight the hearts of all juveniles, has been made and contributed by another of the members of this irrepressible 24th Ward Committee. The ladies of the department of the State of Delaware, with characteristic taste and discrimination, perceiving that this table was the gem of the whole affair, placed upon it for sale the most elegant Affghan within the walls of the building, to be presented, by subscription, to Admiral Dupont, or any other distinguished officer or statesman. A beautiful white quilt, the work of a very young lady, also deservedly attracts attention. Conspicuous and most beautiful in all this elegant collection, is a finely executed bust, in marble, of our "Savior," which has also been purchased by the same liberal contributor who bought the Affghan, for the sum of $600, (one half to each of the great Commissions.) A bust in marble, of President Lincoln, was ordered three months ago, and was intended for this table, but owing to the illness of the artist, A. Marshall Swayne, Esq., its execution has been delayed; but the model, in plaster, has arrived, and may be seen on the table.—It is a most wonderful likeness of the honest President, executed in the most artistic manner, and ensures an equally strong likeness in marble. This bust it is intended to present, by subscription, to the Union League, as a chaste and appropriate ornament to their new building. The usual variety of useful and fancy articles, are found in great abundance on its ample counters, where the most fastidious taste can be gratified. In addition to all its other merits, "The West Philadelphia Table," has received from the Executive Committee, the compliment of being the most methodical in its business arrangements and the most prompt in its settlements at the bank of all the departments in the Fair. The reader may be interested in knowing that the energetic Chairman of the Committee of ladies of this table, is relieved from responsibility on that thousand dollars guarantee, more than twice that sum having already been realized in cash, and the articles remaining are expected to produce double the sum already collected.

Eighteenth Ward occupies the first table on Union Avenue, entering from the East, and a brave display she makes, both in the quantity of goods and in the artistic arrangement. On each of the four corners is placed a large vase of wax fruit, one made and donated by Miss E. Garrison, of the Eighteenth Ward, and the other three made by Miss E. Getts, corner Seventeenth and Poplar Streets. The large beautiful vase of flowers was made by Miss Choate, Marlboro' Street, Eighteenth Ward, and the small vase donated by Miss K. Foreman, Eighteenth Ward. These are all of the wax preparations received from the Ward.

The Goddess of Liberty, in the centre of the table, was presented by Mrs. L. Brunner, Front Street, the Affghan sofa cushion by Mrs. Kossert, and the silk one by Mrs. Day. The beautiful pyramidal cake, valued at twenty dollars, was presented by Mrs. Liggins, Richmond Street. The other cakes by Mrs. Robbins, Cramp, Sheets and others. The glass shades by Messrs. Sheets & Duffy, and the three stands by Mr. Thos. Ollis; the gilding by Mr. Mason; the marble stand given by Mr. Robt. Day; breakfast cozeys by Mrs. Scott; pair blinds by Mr. B. Thompson. The ladies of the Ward prepared and braided twenty pairs of slippers, and the smaller articles came forward with great liberality. We can only designate a few of the more prominent contributions:

A donation from Mrs. Geo. Painter, Palmer Street, of dry goods, &c., valued at fifteen dollars, which was made into small dresses by ladies in the Ward; one bead basket, by Mrs. Sutton, and one by Mrs. Wainwright; Geo. W. Benners, six books, valued at nine dollars; Messrs. Worrell & Bro., paper for table and counter; Mr. Samuel Castner, handsome cushion, valued at forty-eight dollars; Miss Marks, large dolls; Mrs. Ruth, pair of deer and doll; Mr. House, plated castor; Mrs. Hague, bon apples; Misses Rotan, pair vases, valued at twelve dollars; Mrs. Fracker, vases, valued at six dollars; Mrs. Nuskey, two pairs shoes

MODEL HOUSE.

This beautiful "Baby House," particularly described in number five of our paper, was presented to the Fair by Miss Catharine Biddle, and was valued at $1,000. It was purchased at that price and given back to Miss Biddle, who, by its re-sale and exhibition, was enabled to pay into the treasury the very handsome sum of $2,300.

Another miniature house, of faultless proportions, and furnished with exquisite taste, even including miniature gas fixtures, which were capable of being lighted, was presented by Miss Wurtz, and sold for $800.

CUSHMAN ALBUM.

This was a large and superb Album, beautifully bound in green and gold, containing 43 exquisite sketches, contributed by as many artists of note in Boston, New York and this city. It was intended to be presented to Miss Charlotte Cushman, as a testimonial of the appreciation felt for her great liberality to the Sanitary Commission. Thirteen hundred and seventy-four dollars were raised for the common fund by its exhibition, of which nearly five hundred dollars came from citizens of Boston.

OUR OWN GREAT CENTRAL FAIR.

[*Concluded.*]

UNION AVENUE.

This Avenue, although last to be mentioned in our sketches, deserves the first praise from all who can admire that which is grand in architecture, beautiful in decoration, and complete in appointments. Viewed from the music gallery at the west end, the scene is one of rare beauty. Banners, flags and trophies meet the glance at every turn, and the rich display of colors in the goods on the shelves and counters is almost enough to bewilder, if not weary the eye. The collection in Union Avenue alone is well worth the price of admission charged for the whole building. Nothing like it has ever been seen in this country, and never will be again for generations to come. The grand fairs of the old world sink into insignificance compared with this exhibition. Everything from a horse shoe to a bride's *trousseau*, or from a penny whistle to a velvet carpet can be secured without difficulty in Union Avenue, and to those about setting up housekeeping, no better place can be found than this, where every article needed for comfort or decoration is at hand without the inconvenience of traveling over half the city, before the necessary goods are secured.

The centre of the Avenue is a busy mart, where those who buy can see the articles manufactured before their eyes. The JACQUARD LOOM is in operation day and night, and its delicate and intricate machinery draws crowds of spectators, with whom wonder and delight alternate as they watch the noiseless working of the loom, or admire the beautiful fabric which is the result of these movements. Fancy neck ties are woven in the loom, and the success of the table in a financial point of view may be judged from the fact, that on Friday last the ladies received over seventy-two dollars as the result of the sales of these articles. American silk enters largely into the materials used, and this, no doubt, is the main reason for the great success of the table.

Near to this enclosure, portraits of President Lincoln and General Grant are being printed from the plates. Retribution never had a more striking illustration than is given in the presses upon which these portraits are printed. The press was built in England for the Confederate government, and was designed to print Confederate bonds and notes. Alas, for the vanity of human expectations! The press was part of the cargo of the Bermuda, when she fell into the hands of our sailors while attempting to run the blockade. The press is a very good specimen of English workmanship, and it has found its proper position in the Fair, where a most capital likeness of "Honest Old Abe" is thrown from it daily and hourly to the intense satisfaction of the loyal visitors to the exhibition.

Towards the Eastern end of the Avenue, another specimen of printing is shown. P. S. Duval & Son have presses in operation printing from stone the admirable view in colors of the Fair Buildings. Few visitors to the great Fair leave without taking with them one of these fine lithographs, as a valuable memento of the grandest exhibition ever witnessed in this country. So great has been the demand for these pictures, that it has been found necessary to procure additional stones for a new edition.

The Bohemian Glass Blowers, who are also located in the centre walk of the Avenue, give an interesting exhibition. The glass steam engine in full operation, attracts crowds at all hours, and it has been the means of giving visitors a more comprehensive knowledge of the power of steam and the mode of using it than volumes of explanation and description. As the articles offered for sale at the tables of the Bohemians are manufactured in the presence of the audience, there has been full opportunity to gain information.

The machines for making horse shoes are also features in Union Avenue, and at the same time they exhibit the rapid strides being made by the universal Yankee nation in the march of improvement. The two models exhibited are similar in many respects, and both do away with the old tedious process of manufacture. A bar of iron, placed at one end of the machine, comes out at the other end horse shoes, ready for use. The models are in full working order, and a large revenue has been derived from the sale of miniature horse shoes.

Passing from these, we still find enough to instruct and amuse at the various tables in this Avenue. At the Western end is the HOSPITAL TABLE.

At the time of the formation of the Committees of the Great Central Fair, those whose chief interest for the last three years had been in ministering to the sick and wounded in our hospitals, desired to be represented, and a Committee on Hospitals was the result. The ladies attached to the different hospitals entered warmly into the plan, and a Committee was immediately formed, Mrs. Thomas P. James acting as chairman. But the numerous duties and engagements of Mrs. James in connection with the Fair, prevented her continuing in this position, and Mrs. Geo. W. Harris was chosen in her place. Subsequently a committee of gentlemen was organized, and the joint Committee was as follows:

LADIES COMMITTEE.

Mrs. G. W. Harris, *Chn.*	Mrs. T. Newbold,
Miss Julia Dunlap, *Sec.*	Mrs. Brady,
Mrs. General Dana,	Mrs. Mallory,
Mrs. Admiral Lardner,	Miss Dunlap,
Mrs. Commodore Engle,	Miss A. E. Jones,
Mrs. Command'r Turner,	Miss McIlvaine.
Mrs. Charles Cushman,	

GENTS' COMMITTEE.

Dr. E. Dyer, *Chairman.*	Dr. H. C. Parry,
Wm. F. Jenks, *Sec'y.*	J. E. Mears,
Dr. E. A. Smith, *Treas.*	Jno. E. Brady,
Dr. Wm. W. Keen,	George F. Knorr.
Dr. L. S. Bolles,	

A circular addressed to the brave soldiers of our army and to the gallant seamen of our navy, was issued, explaining the object of the formation of a Committee on Hospitals, and appealing to them to assist the Committee by contributions of such articles as they were accustomed to make for recreation, viz: chains, rings, picture frames, &c., &c. Right nobly did the soldiers and seamen respond to the appeal of the Committee, and soon in the various hospitals of this district, at the Naval Asylum, and in the squadrons that line our Southern coast little workshops were organized, and the material supplied by the Committee was rapidly converted into beautiful specimens of handiwork. In some instances, altogether in the navy, the soldiers and seamen contributed the material, and where they possessed no facilities for the manufacture of articles, money was freely contributed as their offering to the noble cause. Unfortunately for a more complete success of the work of the Committee, the movements in Virginia began about this time, and all soldiers who were able were sent to the front to take part in the glorious campaign under Grant. In consequence of this, much unfinished work was left in the hospitals, although some soldiers insisted upon carrying their work with them to the field and completing it, in order to contribute something to the noble charity that had ministered to their needs so freely.

The Committee are especially grateful to the seamen of our navy for their many valuable contributions. Owing to the nature of their service, it rarely falls within the province of

and fishing lines; Mrs. Bartholamew, handsome apron, needle case, and sundry bouquets of flowers; Mrs. Ruth, bouquets of flowers every day. The sales at this table will probably equal those of any other in the Fair. Few Wards have done better than the Eighteenth. The Committee collected one hundred subscribers for the *Daily Fare*. Those not receiving their numbers, will please send their address to Mrs. Dr. Claridge, chairman, corner of Palmer and Richmond Streets.

And next, our own table. Those who imagine that the table contains nothing but the numbers of the *Daily Fare*, will find themselves greatly mistaken. The articles are few, it is true, but they are among the most valuable in the exhibition. Who shall place a money value upon Garibaldi's dagger, which is here displayed? The readers of the *Daily Fare* have doubtless read the history connected with the weapon, and there is no need now of more than reference to it. Then we have President Lincoln's gift to the Fair—a number of copies of the Proclamation of January 1st, 1863, and containing the President's own signature. The Senatorial Album, presented by Geo. T. Strong, Esq., of New York, is for sale at this table. It contains the portraits and autographs of the President, Members of the Cabinet, and all the Senators of the present Congress.

In addition to the list of ladies and gentlemen, whose names appear beneath the title page of our *Daily Fare*, we must add the following as among the most zealous and energetic in their efforts to ensure the success of this department: Miss S. F. Cuyler, Miss N. Patton, Miss Williams, Miss M. Bispham, Miss Tilghman, Miss Robert, Miss C. Robert, Miss Shreave, R. M. Clark, C. D. Clark, and C. H. Hart. Mr. Hart has been the Treasurer, and has most faithfully attended to his duties.

In Union Avenue, Division No. 54, the Committee on Umbrellas and Canes, make a very creditable display. A number of canes of wood, from the battle field of Gettysburg, form a very prominent part of the stock.

The Fire Department deserves more than the brief notice which our space must award it. The firemen have done nobly, and the display made by them on the north side of Union Avenue and west of the flag staff, is certainly one of the most beautiful in the Fair. The decorations to Union Avenue by the Committee of Arrangements have been supplemented by the department, and banners, paintings, and the insignia of the fireman have been used with great taste and liberality for this purpose. Fancy Goods, useful Articles, curious Miniature Machinery, valuable Silver Ware, and numerous other things crowd their tables, and make a most attractive display, and one which is likely to produce a handsome revenue for the Sanitary Commission. The beautiful and unique Camp Chest, with its silver and cut glass contents; and the silver Fire Horn presented by the America Fire Company, have created great excitement among the firemen, and the voting for these two has been more animated than for any other article in the exhibition.

The display of Carpets and Paper Hangings is very fine. Henry Wednell & Son, McCallum & Co., and Townsend & Co., and others, donated handsome specimens of carpets and rugs, and their sale will net a large amount for the Commission. The paper hangers have been very liberal, as their large display fully establishes. Two large pictures over the tables occupied by this branch of the trade have every appearance of fine oil paintings, and yet they are but splendid specimens of the rapid improvements in paper hanging devices and printing.

At the table occupied by the School of Design, the ladies of the school exhibit a number of very fine novel and beautiful designs for paper hangings, &c. With but slight encouragement, this school has accomplished wonders.

The Shoe Dealers have also done well, as their table dedicated to St. Crispin will attest. Clothing, Straw Goods, Books, and Porcelain and Glass Ware, are largely represented on Union Avenue. The Porcelain and Glass Ware is particularly handsome. There is one fine Sevres mounted Centre Piece, for dining table. The Pedestal contains six figures, representing the cities of Lyons, Havre, Marseilles, Bordeaux, and Orleans. Each figure supports a basket, containing the productions of the city it represents. A richly decorated French Porcelain Dinner Set, on crimson and gold, was donated by J. & J. K. Kerr, and is valued at $500. The entire trade has given liberally of their stock, to add to the funds of the Commission.

The table donated to Importations has been throughout the Fair one of the most noticeable features. Independent of the lace flounce, for which $800 was received, there was a profusion of fine and costly goods, and so brisk was the demand for the articles exhibited, that on the day preceding the close, the tables and shelves were empty. A number of articles purchased in Paris for this table, reached here unfortunately too late to be sold during the Fair, and were disposed of at private sale, after its close. There were among the contributions a Leghorn Hat, and five fine Oil Paintings, from Mr. Braid, of Florence, through Mr. M. D. Eyre. From S. Francisco, a box of Japanese Fancy Articles, contributed by the congregation of the late Mr. Starr King. From Sweden, a box of Fancy Articles, through Mrs. F. A. Biddle. From Mr. Vogel, a very valuable Lace Handkerchief; also, through his agent in Brussels, a valuable contribution of Lace and Gloves. From Zurich, a box of Carving. From Africa, through Wm. B. Moore, two very handsome rugs. The Committee were also under obligations to the persons from whom they purchased in Paris, for their great liberality.

The Corn Exchange had two tables, and made a very handsome display of fancy and useful goods. These were very desirable with visitors, and long before the Fair closed the attendants were relieved from their responsible duties.

NUMBER OF VISITORS.

It is not possible to state accurately the number of visitors, but the following statement, made up from the number of tickets issued, is probably very nearly correct:

STATEMENT SHOWING THE WHOLE NUMBER OF TICKETS ISSUED.

1,453	Tickets to Opening Ceremonies,	$ 2,906 00
15,946	Season Tickets,	79,730 00
5,508	Committee "	16,524 00
162,430	Adult "	74,963 65
23,323	Minor "	5,215 30
33,215	School "	3,321 50

Also:

756	Tickets issued to Firemen.
693	Provost Guard.
8,500	U. S. Hospital and returned soldiers.
100	U. S. Naval Asylum.
2,000	Children's and Orphan's Charitable Institution.

253,924 Whole number. Whole amount, $182,660 45

Estimating the Season Tickets to have been used 8 times, or 127,568 times, and the Committee Tickets 15 times, or 82,620 times, there were in all 442,658 admissions, averaging 29,510 each day for fifteen days.

The highest number admitted in one day, was on Wednesday, June 15, 33,080. The prices of tickets were as follows:

Season Tickets, available after the Opening Ceremonies, admitting to all parts of the Fair, except Children's Exhibitions,	$5.00
Committee Tickets,	3.00
Tickets to Opening Ceremonies,	2.00
Single Admission, Adults,	50
" " Minors,	25

STEAM YACHT.

The steam yacht Fairie was built for and presented to the Committee on Ship Building, of which Mr. Wm. Cramp was chairman, and the Committee on Mechanic Arts and Machinery, by Messrs. Wm. Cramp & Son and Neafie & Levy. The former furnished the hull and fittings, valued at $6,500. The latter the machinery, boiler, &c., valued at $3,500.

The boat was sold to the Navy Department for the sum of $10,000. Her dimensions are as follows: Length, 58 feet; depth, 6 feet; breadth, 14 feet. Trunk Cabin aft handsomely furnished in maple and rosewood, 6 berths, stern sofa, lockers, &c., and water closet. Forward Cabin contains cook stove and appurtenances, has two berths and water closet. Engine 14 in., cylinder, 14 in., stroke vertical direct acting; propeller, 4 feet diameter, 6 feet pitch; boiler vertical tubular; machinery and pipes bright finish. She steamed with ease twelve knots with 68 lbs. steam.